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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd  
Chief Clerk / Administrator  
Public Service Commission of South Carolina  
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100  
Columbia, SC 29210

Re: Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC,  
Increasing Residential and Non-Residential Rates  
Docket No. 2019-3-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Attached for filing on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC ("DEC" or the "Company"), please find the Direct Testimony and Exhibits of the following witnesses:

Steven D. Capps  
Kenneth D. Church  
Steve Immel  
Jason D. Martin  
Kimberly D. McGee  
Brett Phipps

As a note, based on the contents of the testimony and exhibits filed herewith, and pursuant to Order No. 2019-214 issued in Docket No. 2005-83-A on March 20, 2019, we are proposing the following modification to the caption applicable in this proceeding: "Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, Increasing Residential and Non-Residential Rates."

The Company respectfully requests that Exhibit 3 of Steven D. Capps' Testimony be accepted by the Commission under seal and maintained as confidential pursuant to Order No. 2005-226. Company witness Capps' Exhibit 3 contains certain proprietary and confidential information relating to sensitive outage information that if disclosed could negatively impact DEC's ability to safely and reliably provide effective service to its customers. The Company requests that the Commission grant the Company's request for confidential treatment, pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-804(S)(2) and the Freedom of Information Act, S.C. Code Ann. § 30-4-10-et seq., and protect this information from public disclosure.



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By copy of this letter, we are serving the Company's Direct Testimony on the parties of record via electronic mail. Confidential Capps Exhibit 3 is being provided to the Office of Regulatory Staff and those parties who signed a confidentiality agreement in the above-referenced proceeding, and will be hand delivered to the Commission under seal. Should you have any questions about this filing, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

Sam Wellborn

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Enclosures

c w/enc: Parties of Record (via email)  
Heather Shirley Smith, Deputy General Counsel (via email)  
Rebecca J. Dulin, Associate General Counsel (via email)

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**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 2019-3-E**

In the Matter of: )

Annual Review of Base Rates for Fuel )  
Costs of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, )  
Increasing Residential and Non- )  
Residential Rates )

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

This is to certify that I, Toni C. Hawkins, a paralegal with the law firm of Robinson Gray Stepp & Laffitte, LLC, have this day caused to be served upon the person(s) named below the **Direct Testimony and Exhibits on behalf of Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC** in the foregoing matter by electronic mail as follows:

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Dated at Columbia, South Carolina this 30<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2019.



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